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In re U.S. Patent Application of

OKUMURA et al.

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For: MASS SPECTROMETER AND METHOD OF USE

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Unit 2881

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COVER LETTER

Sir:

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Independent Claims	2	2	(Over 3)	x \$200	0
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S)				+ \$360	0
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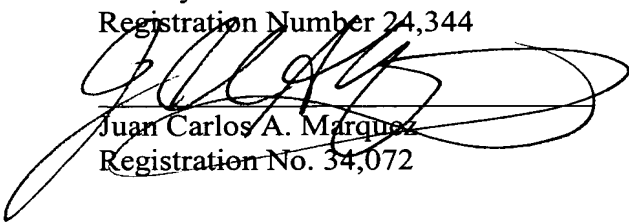
[x] Response to Office Action
(with Claim Amendments)
[] Substitute Specification
[] Preliminary Amendment
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[] Petition for Extension of Time
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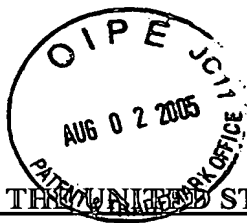
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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Sir:

This is in response to the office action dated May 20, 2005, in the above identified application, to which the period for response will expire on August 20, 2005. Please amend the above identified application as follows: